

BICYCLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SEPTEMBER 21, 2005

MINUTES

A meeting of the Bicycle Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, September 21, 2005, at 6:00 p.m., in the Strathcona Room, Sub-Ground, City Hall.

PRESENT: Bonnie Fenton, Chair
Allison Felker
Kari Hewett, Vice-Chair
Mary Sherlock
Kay Teschke
Ken Timewell

ABSENT: Jack Becker (Leave of Absence)
Colin Brander
Justin Berger
Graeme Brown
Brian Larsen

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Fred Bass
Dave Kim, Neighbourhood Transportation
Douglas Scott, Greenways
David Rawsthorne, Neighbourhood Transportation
Nancy Largent, Public Involvement Coordinator
Darcy Taylor, Vancouver Police Department
Jerry Dobrovolny, Assistant City Engineer
Peter Stary, Neighbourhood Transportation

ALSO ABSENT: Commissioner Suzanne Anton, Vancouver Park Board
Trustee Kevin Milsip, Vancouver School Board

CITY CLERKS OFFICE: Nicole Ludwig, Meeting Coordinator

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 20, 2005, meeting were adopted with the following amendments:

Item 7 - Workplan: Insert the words "Kari Hewett" following the words "Colin Brander" in the third paragraph, and add the phrase, "Ms. Sherlock, along with the Chair, met with the Chairs of the Advisory Committees on Disability Issues and Seniors Issues" to the fourth paragraph.

The Committee agreed to vary the agenda in order to hear the Burrard Bridge Update following the first item on the agenda, "Business Cards for Advisory Committees." For ease of reference, the minutes are recorded in numerical order.

1. Business Cards for Advisory Committees

Nancy Largent, Public Involvement Coordinator, distributed a revised version of proposed business cards for use by Committee members (*on file*). In discussion it was noted there should be a line separating the name of the Bicycle Advisory Committee from the bicycle hotline on the front of the card, delete the word "Name" from the back of the card, the mailing address should indicate "c/o City Clerk's Office", and a different typeface should be used for the hotline information.

2. 4th Avenue Bike Lanes - NW Marine Drive to Highbury Street

Dave Kim, Neighbourhood Transportation, requested feedback on the proposal to extend the 4th Avenue Bike Route to Highbury Street in the east with connection north to the Seaside Bikeway and to the south to the Off-Broadway Bikeway (*maps distributed - on file*).

Mr. Kim, along with David Rawsthorne, Neighbourhood Transportation, responded to questions regarding road signs and markings, lane width and traffic circles.

The Chair requested maps and other information regarding presentations to the Committee be distributed beforehand, by way of the City Clerk's Office.

3. Central Valley Greenway - Update

Douglas Scott, Greenways, requested information and provided an update on work to date and feedback received at recent Open Houses on concept designs for "Section 1" of the Central Valley Greenway, beginning at Science World, to East 1st Avenue, then along Great Northern Way to Clark Drive and connecting with Grandview Highway North:

Mr. Scott along with Peter Stary, Neighbourhood Transportation responded to questions regarding road layout, accessibility, impact of the False creek Flats rail study, tree removal, non-vehicular traffic management on the greenway, alternative routing and the potential for Olympic contributions.

4. Bicycle Advisory Committee Annual Report to Council

The Vice-Chair and Allison Felker thanked the Committee and liaisons for their input on the report and asked for any last minute changes, indicating the tentative date for the report is the Standing Committee on Transportation and Traffic on October 18, 2005. The Meeting Coordinator advised in order for the report to be on the agenda for that meeting, the report must be in to the City Clerk's Office no later than October 4, 2005.

RESOLVED

THAT the Bicycle Advisory Committee adopt substantively the Report dated September 12, 2005, entitled "Term Report for April 2004 - July 2005".

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Burrard Bridge Update

Jerry Dobrovolny, Assistant City Engineer, David Rawsthorne, Engineering Services, and Paul Storer, Neighbourhood Transportation provided an overview of the workplan and process regarding the Burrard Bridge to the Committee, statistics collected so far, transit priority measures, alternatives to intersection design and public awareness.

Mr. Dobrovolny and Mr. Rawsthorne responded to questions regarding data collection and methodology, consultation, a group to provide input on the best way to implement the plan and support the staff in making the plan work, and TransLink's response.

6. Workplan Updates

The Chair distributed minutes and provided an overview of the last Downtown Vancouver Business Administration (DVBIA) meeting

The Chair asked for volunteers for Car Free Day, and Peter Stary, Neighbourhood Transportation, gave an overview of materials available at the event.

Colin Brander, Kari Hewett and Mary Sherlock will be meeting with Darcy Taylor, Vancouver Police Department, regarding enforcement issues.

7. Reports of Subcommittees

(a) Bicycling Education and Promotion Sub-committee

Kari Hewett and Mary Sherlock reviewed the minutes from the September 13, 2005, meeting (*distributed - on file*).

(b) Bicycle Network Sub-committee

The Committee referred the following items to the next Bicycle Network Sub-committee meeting: bicycle parking facilities on City streets (Viacom street furniture contract), bicycle parking facilities at special events and festivals, and bike route closures and detours for special events and festivals.

It was noted the Sub-committee should elect a chair at the next meeting.

Note from Meeting Coordinator: the next Bicycle Network Sub-committee meeting is on Wednesday, October 5, 2005, at 5:30 p.m. in the Strathcona Room.

8. Letter of Support - AMS Bike Co-op

RESOLVED

THAT a letter of support be sent to the UBC Bike Co-op.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. New Business

a. TravelSmart Program - Kitsilano

Peter Sary, Neighbourhood Transportation, distributed maps for feedback on TransLink's TravelSmart program for Kitsilano (*on file*).

10. Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, October 19, 2005
5:30 p.m.
Strathcona Room
Sub-Ground, City Hall

The Committee adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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